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**PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Applicants hereby petition for a two-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action dated October 17, 2003. Please charge Deposit Account No. 10-0460 the extension fee of \$420. Please charge any overpayment or credit any refund to Deposit Account No. 10-0460.

The Assistant Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to treat any concurrent or future reply, requiring a petition for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §

1.136 for its timely submission, as incorporating a petition for extension of time for the appropriate length of time if not submitted with the reply.

A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal is being filed simultaneously herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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